

IOWA STATE COMMODITY ADVISORY COUNCIL MEETING

The Iowa State Commodity Advisory Council met at the Crown Point Center in Johnston, Iowa on Friday, February 22, 2008. Council members attending were: Dean Flaws, Ann Lehman, Andrea Mahler, Joyce Flink, LaRae Doll, Rich Luze, Curtis DeWulf, and Jeff Reeves. Dalieth Johnston, Sherry Kaiser, Marge Carson and Cherie Larson were absent.

Presentations:

1. Lori Gage, Roisum Elite – Advance beef patties
2. Bob Colin, Food Marketing Serv – shelf stable milk
3. Gary Downey, Hedding Broker- whole wheat Smuckers
4. Gary Bornmueller, DBC Broker- gluten free taco chicken nuggets, chalupas, breakfast breaks, grilled cheese, burger buddies, sandwich stuffers, cutie pies
5. Joe DeAntoni, Golden Valley Mgt – oj & oj blend juice cups
6. Cherie Larson, Can Two- grilled chicken breast

Business items:

1. Roll call. Dean read a memo from Cherie Larson who resigned from the board to take a position with Can Two.
2. Approval of minutes. The October minutes were approved as read.
3. Information sheets were updated.
4. Vouchers and claim sheets were completed and corrected.
5. New expense rates were distributed.
6. The bid meeting date is April 11, 2008, at the Des Moines Public Schools Main Kitchen, beginning at 10:30.

The committee voted to skip lunch and proceed with the meeting.

Discussion items:

1. Processed Presentations –
 - a. Lori Gage – council members were not interested in meatballs but would like to bid on a ground beef patty with our specifications. Dean asked members to email him on what size and type of patty we would be interested in.
 - b. Bob Colin – council members were not interested in shelf stable milk.
 - c. Gary Downing – council members decided to replace the currently offered Uncrustables with wheat Uncrustables.
 - d. Gary Bornmueller – council members were interested in the apple and cherry Cutie Pies and the Trix, Lucky Charms, Cookie Crisp, and Cinnamon Toast Crunch whole grain reduced sugar breakfast breaks if the price could be below \$.60.
 - e. Joe DeAntoni- members were interested in the fruit punch, orange/grape and orange juice cups.
 - f. Cherie Larson – will get council members samples of grilled chicken breast to try.

2. Bid items for April 11 meeting in Des Moines –
 - a. Apple and cherry cutie pies and competitor if available.
 - b. Grilled chicken pattie.
 - c. Pre-cooked beef pattie.
 - d. Whole Grain chicken patty.
3. Letters from schools –
 - a. Dean read a comment received about the strawberry cups and how they are preferred over the strawberries in the pails by that particular school.
 - b. LaRae submitted a comment from Ames about the chicken patties. The complaint was that they were green under the breading and still pink even after cooked on the inside. Purdue will no longer offer that chicken patty as a commodity item.
 - c. Dean read a letter from Mrs. Clark's processor about the possibility of receiving products in 4 pound bags instead of plastic gallons. The processor needs quantity used to determine feasibility.
4. SNAI in Des Moines on June 24-25- Council members encouraged to attend and to help in our booth.
5. Keck Bid – Currently up for bid. It will be for three years.

There being no further business, the meeting adjourned at 11:05.

Respectfully submitted,

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